

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

NOTICE AND APPLICATION OF JACKSON)	
PURCHASE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE)	
CORPORATION FOR PERMISSION TO FLOW)	
THROUGH A WHOLESALE RATE INCREASE)	CASE NO. 10277
FILED BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC)	
SERVICE COMMISSION BY BIG RIVERS)	
ELECTRIC CORPORATION, DOCKET NO.)	
10265)	

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Jackson Purchase Electric Cooperative Corporation ("Jackson Purchase") shall file an original and 12 copies of the following information with this Commission, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to insure that it is legible. Where information requested herein has been previously provided, in the format requested herein, reference may be made to the specific location of said information in responding to this information request. The information requested herein is due no later than February 13, 1989. If the information cannot be provided by this date, you should submit a motion for an extension

of time stating the reason a delay is necessary and include a date by which it will be furnished. Such motion will be considered by the Commission.

Rehearing Information Request No. 1

1. Provide a detailed explanation of Jackson Purchase's current tree trimming rotation plan. The explanation should include, but not be limited to, the following:

a. Jackson Purchase's total expected cost of one complete rotation by substation. Provide actual cost incurred with breakdowns into contract and in-house labor, materials, etc. Where estimates are used, provide complete details of all assumptions and calculations used to arrive at the estimates.

b. A listing of all substations included in the rotation plan and the number of miles of electric line as of December 31, 1987 included in each substation project.

c. The original timetable for implementing the rotation plan. Indicate whether Jackson Purchase was on schedule, ahead of schedule, or behind schedule as of December 31, 1987 and December 31, 1988.

d. The timetable of the complete rotation plan, indicating when a substation was, or is, scheduled to be worked.

e. A detailed explanation of why it is essential to maintain the level of tree trimming provided in the current 5-year rotation cycle.

f. A detailed explanation of the effect the current 5-year rotation cycle has had on the line loss experienced by Jackson Purchase.

2. Provide a breakdown of the total expenses shown on Appendix A of the January 13, 1989 filing, for the years 1985 through 1988, between the expense for the tree trimming rotation plan and the year-round, two-man tree trimming crew expense.

3. Provide a detailed explanation of why the inclusion of \$127,518 of tree trimming expense to the test year will result in a reasonable, ongoing level of expense for such maintenance.

4. Provide a detailed explanation of how the rotation plan yearly budgets were formulated for 1986 through 1990. The explanation should include all supporting workpapers used in developing the budgets. Include complete details of all assumptions used and calculations performed in the workpapers. All estimated costs should correlate or refer, in some manner, to the contracts for tree trimming service.

5. Provide a detailed explanation of the bidding process used to award tree trimming contracts. The explanation should include, but not be limited to, the following:

a. For rotation plan work, supply the bid tabulations and indicate the successful bidder for each substation project from 1985 through 1988.

b. For the two-man crew work, supply the bid tabulations and indicate the successful bidder for each year from 1985 through 1988.

c. Explain the delays in the bidding process for the Little Union substation project.

d. Provide copies of all contracts covering the period 1985-1990.

6. Indicate whether the delays encountered with the 1987 work have caused a revision of the 1989 and 1990 budgets. Include an explanation of why a revision would or would not be necessary.

7. On page 4 of 13 in his testimony, filed with the January 13, 1989 application, Kevin Cherry states that the first rotation will be completed in 1990. Indicate when the next rotation plan is expected to begin and what is the expected expense of the next rotation plan.

8. Provide a detailed explanation of how the cost of the two-man crews has been considered in the preparation of annual budgets for tree trimming expenses and total operation and maintenance expenses.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of February, 1989.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director